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SUBJECT: REPLY TO JULY 4 CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM
BOURGUIBA

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF MESSAGE RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT
CARTER FROM HABIB BOURGUIBA: QUOTE: THE CELEBRATION OF
THE 202ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED STATES
OFFERS ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER YOU, BOTH IN MY OWN
NAME AND ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF TUNISIA,
MY HEARTIEST AND WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS. ON THIS HAPPY
OCCASION I AM PLEASED TO NOTE THAT THE TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY
RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES CONTINUE TO FLOURISH AND
GROW STRONGER THROUGH FRUITFUL COOPERATION IN MANY AREAS.

FURTHERMORE, PERMIT ME TO SAY ALSO, MR. PRESIDENT, THAT I
ARDENTLY SHARE YOUR NOBLE DESIRE TO FREE MAN FROM MORAL
AND MATERIAL OPPRESSION AND TO SATISFY HIS RIGHTFUL
ASPIRATIONS. THIS IDEAL, WHICH HAS OUR FULL SUPPORT, IS
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VERY MUCH IN KEEPING WITH YOUR COUNTRY'S LONG-STANDING
AIMS.

I THEREFORE HAIL YOUR COURAGEOUS AND UNTIRING EFFORTS TO
SECURE PEACE THROUGH LEGAL MEANS, PARTICULARLY IN THE
MIDDLE EAST AND IN AFRICA WHERE RECENT CONFRONTATIONS

CONCERN US ALL SINCE THEY AFFECT HUMAN RIGHTS, FREEDOM,
AND DIGNITY. I ASSURE YOU OF MY VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION
AND EXPRESS TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, MY BEST WISHES OF
HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. HABIB
BOURGUIBA. END QUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER SHOULD BE
DELIVERED TO THE PRESIDENT: QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
AS WE CELEBRATE THE 202ND ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE,
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE JOIN ME IN EXPRESSING APPRECIATION
TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF TUNISIA FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL
GREETINGS. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END QUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. CHRISTOPHER

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